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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR BIO INFO: NESTOR COLL BLASINI

REF: HELSINKI 2292

1. NESTOR COLL HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF VENEZUELA'S DIPLOMATIC SERVICE SINCE 1969. PRIOR TO THAT HE WAS A MILITANT LEFT-WING MEMBER OF COPEI, VENEZUELA'S SOCIAL CHRISTIAN PARTY.

2. COLL IS A GRADUATE IN LAW OF ANDRES BELLO UNIVERSITY IN CARACAS AND DID GRADUATE STUDY AT THE INTERNATIONAL UNVIERSITY OF SOCIAL SUTDIES IN ROME. IN 1966 COLL WAS A PROFESSOR AT THE CHRISQTIAN DEMOCRATIC LATIN AMERICAN TRAINING CENTER IN CARACAS. IN MARCH 1966 HE VISITED SANTO DOMINGO TO GIVE ORGANIZATIONAL AND ELECTORAL GUIDANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC'S SOCIAL CHRISTIAN REVOLUTIONARY PARTY. ALONG WITH A MEMBER OF COPEI'S RADICAL YOUTH GROUP, COLL WAS INVOLVED IN ORGANIZING IN LATE 1966 A LEFTIST-ORIENTED FOUNDATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMPHASIZING THE REVOLUTIONARY ASPECTS OF SOCIAL CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY.

3. WITH THE ADVENT OF VENEZUELA'S FIRST COPEI ADMINISTRATION IN MAR 1969, COLL WAS NAMED DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF BOUNDARIES IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS BY PRESIDENT RAFAEL CALDERA. IN
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JUL 1969 COLL WAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO PANAMA COLL EMPHASIZED

BILATERAL CULTURAL RELATIONS AND GAINED SOME FAME AS A "BRILLIANT EXPONENT OF CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURE." THE PANAMANIAN GOVT REQUESTED COLL'S RECALL FOLLOWING HIS INVOLVEMENT IN AN ASYLUM CASE OF TWO PANAMANIAN REFUGEES. COLL RETURNED TO CARACAS IN 1971 TO THE POST OF DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE VENEZUELAN FOREIGN SERVICE. HE SUBSEQUENTLY BECAME ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (NO 3 POSITION IN MINISTRY) IN WHICH POSITION HE SERVED UNTIL EARLY THIS YEAR. IN JUL 1974 COLL WAS APPOINTED VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR TO FINLAND AND SWEDEN, WITH RESIDENCE IN STOCKHOLM

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS NO INFO ON COLL'S CURRENT POLITICAL LEANINGS. SHOULD EMBASSIES HELSINKI AND STOCKHOLM HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GARNER ANY ADDITIONAL INSIGHTS INTO COLL'S VIEWS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THESE.
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